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Community Technology Fair Offers Free Surplus State Computers and Low Cost Internet

To Qualifying Individuals and Families

Sacramento -The California Broadband Council, led by the California Department of Technology, is sponsoring a Technology Fair along with State Surplus Equipment Task Force member and community partner Tech Exchange. The Technology Fair supports community members with affordable Internet, computers, and connections to community organizations. The California Broadband Council is specifically contributing by donating free refurbished desktop computers and related equipment to qualified households and individuals. Households receiving HUD housing assistance, CalFresh, SSI, or free/reduced lunch are eligible. Technology Fair participants also learn about training resources and affordable Internet services with payments as low as \$10/month.

The computer equipment is from state surplus property. All confidential, sensitive and personal information is removed from the computers prior to distribution. Qualifying non-profits and school districts are eligible to participate in leveraging the state policy of bridging the digital divide.

Who: The California Broadband Council, Tech Exchange, California Emerging Technology Fund, La Clinica, East Bay Broadband Consortium and Get Connected Oakland

When: Saturday October 20, 2018 11:00 AM – 2:00 PM

Where: La Clinica Fruitvale Village, 3451 East 12th street, Oakland CA 94601